62D CONGRESS,
2D SESSION.

H. R. 26062.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JULY 31, 1912.

Mr. POU introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Library and ordered to be printed.

A BILL

Providing for the erection of a statue of General Robert E. Lee, and also a Lincoln Peace Memorial Arch over Pennsylvania Avenue, in the city of Washington.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended by the commission hereinafter named in the erection of a statue to the memory of General Robert E. Lee, of the State of Virginia, who died on the twelfth day of October, eighteen hundred and seventy; that said statue shall be situate on Pennsylvania Avenue

1 in the city of Washington immediately opposite the statue
2 now in process of erection to President U. S. Grant.
3 SEC. 2. That the sum of one million dollars is hereby
4 appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not other-
5 wise appropriated, to be expended by the commission here-
6 inafter created and named in the erection of an arch over
7 Pennsylvania Avenue connecting the base of the statue of
8 President Grant with the base of the statue of General Rob-
9 ert E. Lee, which arch shall be known as the Lincoln Peace
10 Memorial Arch and which shall be built in honor of the
11 memory of that martyred President.
12 SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War, General Bennett
13 H. Young, commander in chief of the United Confederate
14 Veterans, and General Harvey M. Trimble, commander in
15 chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, are hereby con-
16 stituted a commission with full authority to acquire, by pur-
17 chase or condemnation proceedings, a site on Pennsylvania
18 Avenue for the erection of the statue to General Robert E.
19 Lee and also with full power to provide for the erection of
20 the same and the aforesaid Lincoln Peace Memorial Arch.
21 Any vacancy in said commission shall be filled by his suc-
22 cessor in the office or position now held, and the members
23 of said commission, except the Secretary of War, shall each
24 be paid the sum of two thousand dollars for services. In
25 addition each member shall be paid his necessary expenses.

1 SEC. 4. That each and every State of the Union shall be
2 invited, through its governor, to furnish material to be used
3 in the building of said arch, which shall bear such inscription
4 as may be unanimously agreed upon by the members of the
5 commission.

6 SEC. 5. That said commission is authorized and empow-
7 ered to secure plans of the proposed statue and arch from
8 American artists and to pay therefor such sum as in the
9 judgment of the commission is just and proper.

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